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Magic Kingdom Ballroom 1

MODERATOR



Lucy Dunn

President & CEO, Orange County Business Council, Commissioner, California Transportation Commission, and Chair, Mobility 21

Lucy Dunn is president and CEO of the Orange County Business Council (OCBC), where she leads a dynamic organization of business members, working with academia and government, to assure the county's economic prosperity and a high quality of life. Before joining OCBC, Lucy served as Director of the California Department of Housing and Community Development in 2004. In 2008, she was appointed to the California Transportation Commission by Governor Schwarzenegger, reappointed by Governor Brown, and in 2015 was elected its chair. She also serves on Southern California Association of Government's GLUE Council, California Economic Summit, Mobility 21, Pacific Symphony, OC Taxpayers Association, Bolsa Chica Conservancy, and the UCI Foundation. Lucy is the Orange County representative on the Ontario International Airport Authority dedicated to local control and expansion of air service for the Southland.

She is the recipient of numerous honors and awards including Orange County Business Journal's "Women in Business" award, Women in Transportation's "Woman of the Year" award, Southern California Leadership Network's Public Sector Leader of the Year in 2012, and the prestigious "Vision and Visionaries" Award from Cal-State University, Fullerton. She was twice named as "Woman of the Year" by the California Legislature. In 2014, The Orange County Register named her as one of "Orange County's 100 Most Influential."

Lucy is an attorney admitted to practice before the California State Bar, the federal bar and the U.S. Supreme Court. She loves travel, music and her proudest role is as mother of two adult sons (and one accomplished daughter-in-law!) who reside in the Bay Area.

PANELISTS



Hon. Jack Dale

Immediate Past Chair, San Diego Association of Governments and Vice Mayor, City of Santee

Jack Dale has been active in local government and community service organizations throughout San Diego County for three decades. Currently, he is a member of the Santee City Council and chair of the Board of Directors for the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG).

Vice Mayor Dale has served on the Santee City Council since 1986, including two terms as mayor. He was most recently re-elected in 2012. Concurrent with his service on the City Council, Vice Mayor Dale has been a regional leader. For the past 19 years, he has served as chair, first vice chair and second vice chair on the SANDAG Board, and as chair of the agency's Transportation Committee. His leadership at SANDAG helped to ensure the construction and ultimate completion of State Route 52 through Santee. In his current role as SANDAG chair, Vice Mayor Dale represents the regional planning and transportation agency at important community events and conferences.

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Vice Mayor Dale's political career began earlier when he was elected treasurer of the Board of Directors of the Padre Dam Municipal Water District. He served on the water district board between 1985 and 1986.

Vice Mayor Dale has resided in Santee since 1981. He has three daughters, two sons and two granddaughters.



Hon. Lori Donchak

Chair, Orange County Transportation Authority and Councilmember, City of San Clemente

Lori Donchak currently serves on the San Clemente City Council. Orange County's City Selection Committee reappointed Councilmember Donchak in January 2015 as a city council representative to the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Board of Directors, where she serves as the Board Chair.

Councilmember Donchak is dedicated to the fiscally responsible, carefully managed growth of San Clemente. Anticipating needs of future generations is essential to maintaining prosperity and sense of community unique to San Clemente.

Committed to solving transportation needs in and around San Clemente, she founded the San Clemente Mobility Taskforce and serves on the railroad Safety/Quiet zone taskforce. On behalf of San Clemente, she is currently the CUSD Liaison and city representative for the Orange County Library. She was appointed to the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority Executive Board in 2013. She is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club and the San Clemente Historical Society.

Councilmember Donchak graduated from Northwestern University with a B.S. in Linguistics and Education. She received an MBA from Kellogg Graduate School of Management and enjoyed a 20-year career as a business executive in the communications industry. She recently retired after 10 years of teaching at St. Margaret's Episcopal School in San Juan Capistrano. Councilmember Donchak, husband Andrew, and two children have lived in San Clemente since 1999.



Hon. John Fasana

Chair, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and Councilmember, City of Duarte

A resident in Duarte since 1985, John Fasana is a City Councilmember, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board Chairperson, and is one of four City Selection Committee appointees to the 13-member Metro Board of Directors. He has represented the San Gabriel Valley on the Metro Board since its inception in 1993 and previously served as Metro Board Chair in 2001-2002. He also currently serves as the Executive Management Committee Chairperson. During his tenure on the Metro Board, he has tirelessly worked with his colleagues in Sacramento and Washington, D.C. to obtain several billion dollars for LA County residents for critically needed multimodal congestion relief

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projects. These voter-approved high priority transportation projects have created thousands of jobs within LA County and improved the county's economic vitality.

First elected as a councilmember in 1987, Councilmember Fasana has continuously represented the people of Duarte and five times has served as the city's mayor. During his tenure, Councilmember Fasana and his colleagues helped the City of Duarte successfully establish a graffiti abatement program and build a teen center where the NAACP Pasadena Branch's Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics (ACT-SO) has been headquartered for the past six years. Councilmember Fasana and his colleagues built new parks, developed a new middle school and performing arts center, built a senior center, re-built an aquatics center, established an effective anti-gang strategy without implementing an injunction, and developed access to regional bicycle trails. These leadership actions reinforced Duarte's reputation as the "City of Health." Councilmember Fasana has been an advocate for youth and worked with City of Hope to establish a summer program for Duarte students, served on the Duarte Education Foundation and local YMCA boards, and with his colleagues adopted the Youth and Family Master Plan consisting of 66 action steps to promote the wellbeing of Duarte youth and families.

Councilmember Fasana has also served on the Board of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (COG) since its inception representing 31 cities and over 2 million residents working together to solve regional issues and in the past served on Foothill Transit's Board. As Chair of the COG Transportation Committee, he provided policy direction that led to the creation of the Alameda Corridor-East (ACE) Construction Authority, and the Foothill Extension Construction Authority Board that built the Gold Line and the recent extension to Azusa that began serving customers in March, 2016. John still serves as Metro's representative on the Foothill Extension Board. Since the early 1990s, John has been a long-standing advocate for the Gold Line and Foothill Transit. He has promoted the region's, Duarte's and the San Gabriel Valley's interests in transportation, community services, environmental protection and economic development.

In 2015, he retired from his Regulatory Project Manager position with Southern California Edison after 35 years of service. He is a graduate of Whittier College. John and his wife, Kris, have three adult children all of whom were educated in Duarte's public schools and two sons-in-law.



Hon. Robert Lovingood

*President, San Bernardino Associated Governments and Supervisor,
County of San Bernardino*

Elected to office November 2012, Supervisor Robert Lovingood represents the First District of San Bernardino County. Supervisor Lovingood has worked diligently in his role as Supervisor to bring greater accountability and a more business-friendly approach to county government. He is a strong advocate for the High Desert constituents, passionate about encouraging business growth to create jobs, and focused on public safety. Having been appointed to serve a two year term as Vice Chair of the Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Lovingood offers valuable leadership and governance to the county while continuing to serve the residents of the First District. Supervisor Lovingood is also actively focused on the region's transportation needs as current President of SANBAG.

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Hon. Scott Matas

Chair, Riverside County Transportation Commission and Mayor, City of Desert Hot Springs

Mayor Scott Matas is a true public servant. His dedication to his community is illustrated through his strong involvement in a variety of endeavors, including the 20 years he spent as a Volunteer Firefighter. In addition, Mayor Matas has volunteered in a variety of capacities with the local Little League for over 16 years, has owned several local small businesses, served three terms on the Desert Hot Springs City Council and in November of 2015 was elected to his first term as Mayor. His accomplishments as both Mayor and a Councilmember include stabilizing City Administration, unifying his colleagues on the City Council and appointing Citizen Committees to assist in guiding the City Council. In 2012 the City of Desert Hot Springs faced a fiscal crisis, which forced the City Council to evaluate additional revenue generating opportunities. The City Council was innovative in its approach and in February of 2017, the City of Desert Hot Springs will be the first city in the state of California to collect legal taxation of Cultivated Medical Marijuana.

Mayor Matas was elected to the Desert Hot Springs City Council during a Special Election in March of 2007. In 2008 he was appointed to the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) where he served as Chairman of the Budget and Implementation Committee in 2010 and as Chairman of the Eastern Riverside County Plans Programs and Projects Committee in 2010 and 2011. In 2014, Mayor Matas was appointed to the RCTC Executive Committee where he has served as 2nd and 1st Vice Chairman, before being appointed Chairman this year.

With his appointment to RCTC in 2008, he became Chairman of the Transportation Committee for the Coachella Valley Association of Governments. This was a crucial time period as the Coachella Valley Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan was being implemented and other major funding had been cut from transportation. Mayor Matas helped lead a collation of efforts in 2009 to capture funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, bringing in 32 million dollars for interchange projects in the Coachella Valley, some of which had been stalled for over 20 years. His current mission as Chairman of RCTC is to bring awareness to technology and how it is changing the future of transportation.



Hon. Keith Millhouse

Chair, Ventura County Transportation Commission, Councilmember, City of Moorpark and Regional Council Member, Southern California Association of Governments

Councilmember Keith Millhouse has been a leader in Southern California transportation since 1996. The Moorpark City Councilman has served on the Ventura County Transportation Commission (VCTC) since 2003 and is its current chair. In 2005, the commission appointed him to the Metrolink Board, which he chaired from 2009-2011. He has served on the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Board since 2005, chairing its transportation committee. In these capacities, Councilmember Millhouse's record has focused on safety and improvement across all transportation modes. During his tenure, Metrolink pioneered lifesaving rail safety measures, including positive train control and crash energy management technology. While with SCAG, Councilmember Millhouse helped secure a billion-dollar commitment from California High-Speed Rail for rail crossing improvements throughout Southern California. Under his leadership,

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Ventura County saw expansion of Highway 23 and construction of a bike path and carpool lanes along Highway 101 linking Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties. Millhouse was elected to the Moorpark City Council in 2000. He was born and raised in the San Fernando Valley and earned bachelor's and law degrees from Pepperdine University. Millhouse is a father of two grown children. He practices law in Thousand Oaks and is an active member of his church.



Hon. James Predmore

Chair, Imperial County Transportation Commission and Mayor, City of Holtville

Mayor James Predmore grew up in Glendora where he lived with his mother and father and older brother Bob. His father owned an auto repair shop and that is where he had his first job. Mayor Predmore would work there after school and on Saturdays and when he was 17 he was hired by Ralphs Grocery store and he worked for them for 10 years.

Mayor Predmore changed careers and went into the automotive industry where he worked as Service Advisor, Used Car Service Manager and eventually as a Used Car Manager for a large Nissan Dealer in Long Beach, California.

Mayor Predmore moved to Holtville in 2001 to be closer to his brother.

Mayor Predmore started working with Turning Point in June of 2004 and continued until November 2008. It was at Turning Point where he met his wife Betty, working together helping others through the many outreaches that Turning Point was involved. Mayor Predmore and Betty were married in Holtville seven years ago. They are enjoying the great opportunity of bringing together and raising ten children, three of which they have adopted.

In 2008 Mayor Predmore started working for the local newspaper where he continues to work to this day. In 2009, Mayor Predmore was appointed to the Holtville Planning Commission where he served until 2012 when he was elected to the Holtville City Council. Mayor Predmore is currently serving as Chairman for the Imperial County Transportation Commission and the Local Transportation Authority. Mayor Predmore is also serving on the Community, Economic and Human Development Committee at the Southern California Association of Governments, and as Mayor for the City of Holtville.



Hon. Craig Young

Chair, Foothill/Eastern Transportation Corridor Agency and Councilmember, City of Yorba Linda

Craig Young was elected to the Yorba Linda City Council in 2012 serving as Mayor in 2013-14. His passion for community service was the driving force behind his desire to advocate for good governance and effective public policy. A practicing attorney for 25 years, Councilmember Young is a valued asset at Alvarado Smith, an international law firm with offices in San Francisco, Los Angeles and Orange County. His public policy expertise serves him well as one of the firm's leading real estate, labor and environmental attorneys.

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Councilmember Young has a keen interest in transportation and is serving his third term as the Chairman of the Foothill/Eastern Transportation Corridor Agencies (F/ETCA) Board of Directors, a Joint Powers Authority in Orange County responsible for the state's largest toll road network, which represents more than 20 percent of the county's highway system. Under his leadership, the agency is currently working in coordination with Caltrans, the Orange County Transportation Authority and the Riverside County Transportation Commission on a proposed direct connector from the State Route 241 Toll Road to the 91 Freeway Express Lanes. The direct, median-to-median tolled connector would reduce traffic congestion in both directions, allowing drivers to travel north-to- east and west-to- south directly between the 241 Toll Road and the 91 Express Lanes.

In addition to his leadership in the transportation arena, Councilmember Young serves on several local and regional boards to include the Southern California Association of Governments, Association of California Cities – Orange County, Children's Hospital of Orange County – Professional Advisory Board and is the former president of the Vanguard University Foundation.

Councilmember Young completed his undergraduate studies at Western State University in 1986 and his Doctorate of Jurisprudence in 1988. He later went on to study Theology at Vanguard University. He and his wife reside in Yorba Linda, California. They have two children, the eldest is a professor at Zhejiang University of Foreign Languages in The Peoples Republic of China and the youngest is in her last year as a pre-med student at Pepperdine University.